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COMMENT OF THE DAY

No Surprises

THE result of the Urban Council by-election could hardly be described as surprising. Mr. Brook Bernacchi (Reform) has a large personal following and a long record as a politician in this Colony. Mr. Allport is a virtual newcomer to this field but as he is one who has shown a keen interest in the affairs of the community it is to be hoped he is not discouraged by the outcome.

It is interesting, however, to compare Wednesday's voting with the full election figures in March wherein the Civic Association candidates polled heavily. Indeed Mr. Li Yu-hor topped the poll on that occasion with 4,569 votes—600 votes more than Mr. Bernacchi—and two other Civic candidates were elected with more than 3,500 votes each. Mr. Allport on that occasion polled 3,270 votes against only 1,456 votes yesterday, and Mr. Bernacchi's 2,590.

It is therefore difficult to decide how much of yesterday's voting in favour of Mr. Bernacchi was due to his personal following or to better mobilisation of party supporters. It would appear both factors played some part in his victory and that the Civic Association's "regular" following is less substantial though, on the last election results, its policies appear to be more appealing.

THE only other conclusion possible is that the apathetic attitude of the electorate—which is not surprising in view of the proximity of the two elections—was less damaging to Mr. Bernacchi than to his opponent. If there is any conclusion for the Civic Association to draw from this it may be that it has a less highly developed political machine than the Reform Club—or perhaps less contact with its supporters than its rivals have.

That only 4,102 voters turned out—the electoral roll is 19,305—is disappointing but not surprising. The figure roughly conforms with the low totals recorded at other elections and allowance must be made for the fact that Wednesday's contest was a by-election.

Hongkong it seems will need a big political issue to awaken the public to its civic responsibilities—and under present circumstances and the limited scope available to elected members in the Urban Council this does not seem likely.

STASSEN TRIES PRIVATE DEAL

Western Allies Protest Over Action

By DEREK MARKS

London, June 13.

A PRIVATE deal with Russia has been tried by Mr. Harold Stassen, the United States representative at the disarmament talks here.

This is the conviction of London diplomats after a new dispute between America and her Western allies.

Speaking in Finland today, Russia's Mr. Zhuravskiy said the Soviet Union would agree to inspection posts being set up in her territory, the United States, Britain and other countries if this would aid agreement on banning nuclear tests. I am authoritatively informed that this proposal was made several days ago by Russia's disarmament delegate in London, Mr. Valerian Zorin, in private negotiations with Mr. Stassen, Britain, France, Canada and other powers at the talks protested.

TALKS TO RESUME

Mr. Stassen is due to return to London from Washington for the resumption of the talks tomorrow.

Washington reports say Mr. John Foster Dulles, the Secretary of State, has emphasised to Mr. Stassen that future informal talks with Mr. Zorin should not include "major problems."

The chief fear in London is that the row caused by Mr. Stassen may have weakened the "Western powers' negotiating authority."

China Mail special correspondent John Earle says the four Western members of the UN Sub-committee plan to meet privately tomorrow before the official session in the afternoon.

The Western meeting would aim at achieving a united attitude on the latest United States disarmament proposals, which America's Western allies have been considering for a fortnight but have so far failed to approve.

THREE FEATURES

Mr. Stassen's proposals have not been disclosed, but according to unconfirmed reports they contain the following features of a partial disarmament agreement.

- ★ 1. An immediate temporary ban on nuclear tests, linked to a "cut off date" after which fissionable production for military purposes would cease.
- ★ 2. A 10 to 15 per cent cut in conventional arms and military expenditure.

South Africa Increasing Duty On Hongkong Products

Capetown, June 13.

The South African Finance Minister, Mr. Rom Naude, moving the second reading of the Customs Duty Amendment Bill in the Assembly today said the Bill introduced a form of customs duty which would give South African manufacturers of certain goods bigger protection against better quality articles from Western countries.

The Minister said that in terms of various international agreements South Africa could not impose discriminatory duties on imports from Hongkong which included such articles as socks, buttons, wood screws, raincoats, and chandeliers.

To provide adequate protection for local manufacturers the high ad valorem duty that would have to be imposed would make the importation of relevant articles from Western countries virtually impossible. But importation of these articles from the West was in the interests not only of South Africa but also the industries concerned.

Replace Duty

Mr. Naude said it had therefore been decided to replace the duty

based on the value of certain articles imported by a duty based on the article itself.

For example, it was intended to levy a duty of nine shillings per garment in the case of raincoats.

In the case of raincoats imported from Hongkong this duty would be equivalent to 87 per cent ad valorem but only 17 per cent ad valorem on imports from Britain.—Reuter.

QUEEN TAKES BIRTHDAY SALUTE

London, June 13.

Thousands of sightseeing tourists thronged the fringes of Horse Guards Parade near Buckingham Palace here today to watch Queen Elizabeth, in scarlet tunic and tricorn hat, take the salute on horseback at the Trooping the Colour ceremony.

The centuries-old ceremony is now traditionally celebrated on the Sovereign's official birthday. The Queen, sitting side-saddle on her mount, "Imp", rode down the wide avenue of The Mall from Buckingham Palace. Her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, and uncle, the Duke of Gloucester, rode behind her, wearing the uniforms of the Welsh Guards and the Scots Guards.



"IMP"—SHORT FOR "IMPERIAL"

This year the regimental colour of the First Battalion Irish Guards was trooped. Back at Buckingham Palace, the Queen and other members of the Royal Family watched from the balcony an RAF fly past.—Reuter.

Journalist Refused Passport

Washington, June 13.

The State Department passport division today provisionally refused to grant a passport renewal to William Worthly, reporter for the Baltimore Afro-American, who went to China last December.

The renewal was refused after the passport division heard testimony by Mr. Worthly, who defied a State Department ban on travel to China after Chinese authorities had invited American newsmen to visit the country.

The final decision is up to Mr. Roy C. Conner, head of the State Department's Division of Consular Affairs and Security.—France-Press.

SOS—Crew About To Mutiny NAVY RUSHES TO RESCUE

Bahrein, June 13.

An armed boarding party from a Royal Naval frigate came to the rescue of a British tanker captain today after his Chinese crew threatened to mutiny.

The skipper of the 10,422-ton Geravae Sligh sent out an SOS call and the 1,875-ton British frigate HMS Loch Alvie met the tanker at anchor near the entrance to the river Shatt el Arab in the Persian Gulf.

Sailors from the frigate, armed with rifles and pistols, rushed aboard the tanker and seized six Chinese who the captain said were the ringleaders of the mutiny plot.

The arrested men were taken ashore and turned over to the Iraqi police.

TOOK CONTROL

After the boarding party took control of the situation, the rest of the Chinese crew refused to handle the ship and also were put ashore.

A skeleton crew from the Loch Alvie went aboard the tanker and the ship moved off toward Mina al Ah-Adi under escort by the frigate.

The owners of the tanker are the Singapore Navigation Company.

The Loch Alvie is a 1,375-ton vessel and carries two four-inch, six 40-millimetre and nine Bofors guns.

She is part of the Persian Gulf Squadron and her captain is Commander W. I. Campbell.—United Press & Reuter.

GIRARD CASE

Washington, June 13.

Chairman Thomas S. Gordon said today his House Foreign Affairs Committee will delay, if necessary final action on President Eisenhower's foreign aid programme to investigate the Girard case.—United Press.

Turning Reds To Pinks

Hull, June 13.

Russian sailors bought a thousand pairs of sunglasses from the local Woolworth store yesterday in a buying spree that had even philistine Britons puzzled.

The Russians were from the freighter Balashov, which has been loading cargo in Hull for the past four days.—United Press.

14 Killed In Truck Crash

New York, June 13.

An Army truck carrying 25 men of the famous 101st Airborne Division on a training mission went out of control on a curve today and plunged 25 feet into a creek.

Major Louis Bercant of the Fort Campbell Public Information Office, Kentucky, said 14 men were killed and nine injured.

Officers said the truck was taking the men back to their base when it crashed through a guard rail into shallow Piney Ford Creek.

A light cargo helicopter had to be used to lift one end of the truck off the bodies.—United Press.



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POLL GOING AGAINST PREMIER

London, June 13.

The British public's views on Mr. Harold Macmillan as Prime Minister are hardening. The number of "don't knows" has dropped from 18 to 13 per cent, according to the latest Daily Express poll of public opinion.

And most of the newly made up minds have gone against Mr. Macmillan. But public support for the Tories remains fairly steady.

Fifty-five per cent said they were satisfied and 32 per cent were dissatisfied in the current poll. This compares to 64 and a half per cent and 35 and a half per cent respectively in the May poll.

Asked if they were satisfied or not with Government's conduct of affairs in the current poll, 45 per cent said they were and 40 per cent said they were not. This compares to 48 and a half per cent and 51 and a half per cent respectively in last month's poll. Asked which party they would vote for if a general election were held immediately, 44 and a half per cent said they would vote Socialist.

These figures are unchanged since the last poll. — London Express Service.

In Saturday's Mail

Tomorrow the China Mail introduces two new Saturday features.

Michael Innes, the first of six authors to write for the China Mail Crime Club, starts the series with a complete short story—BLACKMAIL.

Alexander Thomson delves into the art of making money and tells how those who have it made it. For instance Vincent Johnson slept on the Embankment. Now he is running his 14th Rolls-Royce.

Among the other features will be:

- ★ Robert Koch, the biological detective.
- ★ A Friendly Owl by Thurlow Craig.
- ★ The Horrors of Lidice.
- ★ Men who see in the dark by Dominic Jones.

And, of course, Giles, Friedl, Logan Gourlay, Peter Buchan, and Thomas Wiseman will all be there for your weekend reading.

Waterhouse Resigning

London, June 13.

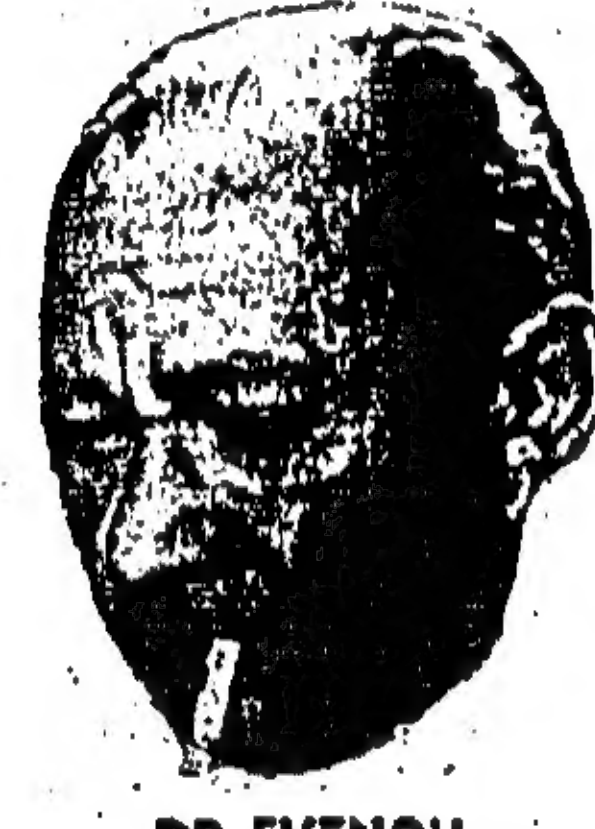
Captain Charles Waterhouse, Conservative member of Parliament and former leader of the "Suez rebel", the right-wing Conservatives who supported firm action against Egypt, announced today that he would resign his seat in Parliament this summer.

Waterhouse said he will devote himself in the future to his business affairs.

Captain Waterhouse recently broke with the right-wing of the Conservative Party and gave his support to Prime Minister, Harold Macmillan's decision to resume British use of the Suez Canal. He did not follow the example of other "Suez rebels", such as Viscount Hinchinbrooke and seven other Conservatives, who resigned from the Parliamentary Conservative Party in protest against Macmillan's decision to resume the use of the Suez Canal.—France-Press.

Bremen, June 13.

The West German Navy's first torpedo boat was launched yesterday.—United Press.



DR. EVENOU

Both are under indictment for the crime. Simone confessed that she stood nude, in ballet slippers and black gloves, over the sleeping wife, and plunged a knife into her as she slept, the police said.

At a stormy scene today, Simone charged that the doctor instigated the crime and showed her how to perform the killing after he had drugged the wife. "I had nothing to do with it," Dr. Evenou said. Weeping, he pleaded: "My wife was an admirable woman. I will never forgive the killer."—France-Press.

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'CRUSOE' MYSTERY DEEPENS

JAPAN TO STAND WITH WEST

Tokyo, June 13. The Prime Minister, Mr. Nobusuke Kishi, said here today that he would tell President Eisenhower, during their forthcoming Washington talks, that Japan definitely stands in the Western camp and does not want to follow a neutralist or pro-Communist policy.

"The main purpose of my trip to Washington is to emphasize this policy of my government and the need for friendly relations between the people of Japan and the people of the United States," he said at a press conference.

The Premier said he would not take up the controversial Girmad case as a specific problem. But he indicated that he would talk with President Eisenhower and the US Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, about possible revisions in the mutual security pact and the administrative agreement under which American troops are stationed in Japan.

FOUNDATION

"I hope my talks in the United States will lay the foundation for strengthening relations between Japan and the United States for the next ten years," he said.

Premier Kishi said Japan had not the intention of recognising Communist China.

"But when it comes to trade," he said, "we feel trade should be increased."

He said Japan had no intention of shipping strategic items to Communist China, and had no intention of following Britain's lead in "going it alone" in China trade affairs.

He said Japan favoured elimination of the "China differential," but "I believe unity is important to the free world and any action on this important matter should be a majority decision. We will not follow England's course," United Press.

Graves Of Three Baby Girls Found On Castaway's Tiny Island

London, June 13.

The 19th century graves of three baby girls have been discovered on the lonely Pacific island of Malden, scene of Britain's hydrogen bomb tests, it was learned today.

Their tombstones, perfectly preserved, lay a few yards from the hut of Adam McCulloch, a voluntary castaway who went to the island in the early 1860's.

TROTSKY ASSASSIN LOSES APPEAL

Mexico City, June 13.

Jacques Mornard, the assassin of exiled Russian revolutionary leader, Leon Trotsky, has lost his last chance to obtain his release from a Mexican prison before 1960, when he will have served all of his 20-year sentence, it was learned today.

Jacques Mornard, or Frank Jackson or Ramon Mercader — no positive identification could ever be made — has attempted during the last three years to obtain release after serving two-thirds of his sentence.

REJECTED

The Mexican prison authorities refused to release him, and a Mexican court yesterday rejected his appeal. The main fact against Mornard's release was that he entered Mexico illegally in 1940, several months before killing the former Soviet Communist for War.

The Mexican court said that the early release of convicts was aimed at permitting the authorities to note their moral adjustment, but that this was impossible in Mornard's case since he would be immediately expelled from the country for having entered with a false passport and under a false name. Moreover, the prison authorities considered that Mornard had not changed and that he was still a danger to society. — France-Press.

IKE AND DULLES NOT IN STEP

— The Scotsman

Edinburgh, June 13.

The Scotsman said today that President Eisenhower did not seem to be in step with Mr John Foster Dulles, American State Secretary, on the question of relaxing embargoes on trade with Communist China.

This independent newspaper said in a leading article: "Britain's refusal to continue the special restrictions on trade with China over and above those applicable to Russia is forcing on the United States antagonists reappraisal of her policy which Mr Dulles is not at all inclined to make."

"The trouble is that American policy is like a house built on sand. It is a pure illusion that Chiang Kai-shek (Nationalist Chinese leader) is a leader who could now rally China to his banner; and in fact the United States has let it be known that the idea is not to support any crazy scheme for an invasion of the Mainland."

STRANGE

"Even President Eisenhower does not seem to be quite in step with Mr Dulles, which is strange in a military man."

"Mr Dulles has courteously said that the American position in regard to trade with China was correctly outlined by the President last week, but all the same the President was decidedly half-hearted about the extra or differential restrictions on China."

"Whether we should eliminate this differential," the President said, "frankly, I don't see as much advantage in maintaining as some people do, although I have never advocated its complete elimination." — Reuters.

CLIMBER RETURNING TO UK

Katmandu, June 13.

Dr Charles Evans, the Liverpool surgeon whose two-man expedition was the smallest ever to climb a major Himalayan peak, left Katmandu today for Britain.

With one other climber, Mr Dennis Davis, and four Sherpas, Dr Evans scaled 24,000-foot Annapurna Four but was beaten back by bad weather 1,500 feet below the summit of 20,041-foot Annapurna Two.

Dr Evans' exploit has opened up the Himalayas to small mountaineering parties such as his for the first time. He thinks Annapurna Two is climbable by a two-man party given good weather. — Reuters.

MAYFLOWER II BUMPS HER WAY INTO PLYMOUTH

Plymouth, Mass. June 13. A band of latter-day Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock today after a collision with a Coast Guard tow boat injured one of Mayflower II's crew and marred the end of the 64-day trans-Atlantic crossing.

The 62-foot reproduction of the 17th-century Pilgrim ship was under full sail when the Coast Guard boat, coming alongside to put aboard a low

line at the entrance to Plymouth Harbour, swerved in front of her. The tug's mast and radar gear became entangled in the Mayflower's sail.

In the scramble to free the two vessels Joseph Lacey, 25, of Kingsdown Parade, Bristol, England, was crushed between the two craft. He was sent to hospital with a sprained back and injured ribs.

REAL COOL, MAN!



That head you see there is the Duke of Edinburgh dripping with water after he had doused himself after playing polo. The locale was Cowdray Park, and the Prince's team was opposed by an Indian team captained by the Maharajah of Jaipur. The Maharajah's men won. — Express Photo.

WORLD TAKING MEASURES TO COMBAT FLU

Paris, June 13.

Authorities in many parts of the world were tonight working on measures to check the influenza epidemic which has been raging through Asia for the past month, killing hundreds and putting millions on the sick list.

Special precautions have already been taken at the Vatican City and Mecca, visited by millions of pilgrims at this time of the year. At ports and airports in Asia, Europe and the United States, travellers were being examined with the prospect of being put in quarantine if they showed signs of "Asian flu". These include a high temperature, stiffness and pains in the back and chest.

ASIAN FLU DUE TO TESTS?

London, June 13.

The epidemic of Asian flu which has swept Asia since April may be "another evil consequence" of nuclear tests in the Pacific and Siberia, a writer in the medical magazine "Lancet" said today.

The writer, M. Pirie, said that increased radiation from nuclear tests and other sources stepped up mutation frequency of disease viruses. Asian flu is caused by a hitherto unknown virus.

Pirie said East Asia had suffered most so far from nuclear test fallout and added: "There is therefore a strong possibility in the idea that this influenza epidemic is yet another evil consequence of these tests."

The magazine said British doctors believe the epidemic may spread to Europe, remain dormant during the summer and then resume in the autumn. — France-Press.

QUARANTINE

The French liner "Vietnam" in Durban, and the British troopship "Empire Fowey" at the Cape, have both been put in quarantine because of suspected cases aboard.

The Nationalist Chinese authorities announced today that the influenza death-toll had risen to 101, while a million and a half persons were stricken with the disease.

In Japan, 400,000 cases have been reported since the epidemic started there in early April.

After swooping through the Philippines, Indonesia, Malaya and Burma, the outbreak has now reached India, where some 50 persons have already died in Bombay and Calcutta.

Nearly 35,000 persons have been affected by the disease in New Delhi. The disease has taken the highest toll in the thickly populated old quarters of the town, leaving the modern residential areas relatively untouched. — France-Press.

RUSSIANS BEAMING WITH GOODWILL AT MOSCOW RECEPTION

By VINCENT BUIST

Moscow, June 13.

In a burst of cordiality not seen since before the Hungarian rising last October, five Soviet leaders tonight sipped whisky and chatted with Western diplomats at a birthday reception for Queen Elizabeth in the British Embassy.

Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Soviet Prime Minister, and Mr Nikita Khrushchev, Soviet Communist Party Chief, are still away on their visit to Helsinki, but four vice-premiers and a former foreign minister were among the Soviet guests at the party given by Sir Patrick Reilly, British Ambassador.

They included: Mr Anastas Mikoyan, Mr Georgi Malenkov, Mr Mikhail Pavlovich and Mr Vyacheslav Molotov, and the former Foreign Minister, Mr Dmitri Shepilov, who now holds an important party post. Mr Mikoyan drank repeated toasts to British-Soviet good relations.

MAUNOURY TO VISIT LONDON

London, June 13.

M. Maurice Bourges-Maunoury, the new French Premier, will fly to London on Saturday to attend the unveiling by the Queen Mother of a plaque in memory of members of the Free French Forces and their British comrades in the resistance movement. The Premier, who was a Second World War Resistance leader himself, will lead a party of 200 men and women of the Resistance.

The Queen Mother will unveil the plaque at number one Dorset Square, London, headquarters of the Resistance movement from 1941-44.

After lunching with Mr Harold Macmillan, the British Prime Minister, M. Bourges-Maunoury will return to Paris. — Reuters.

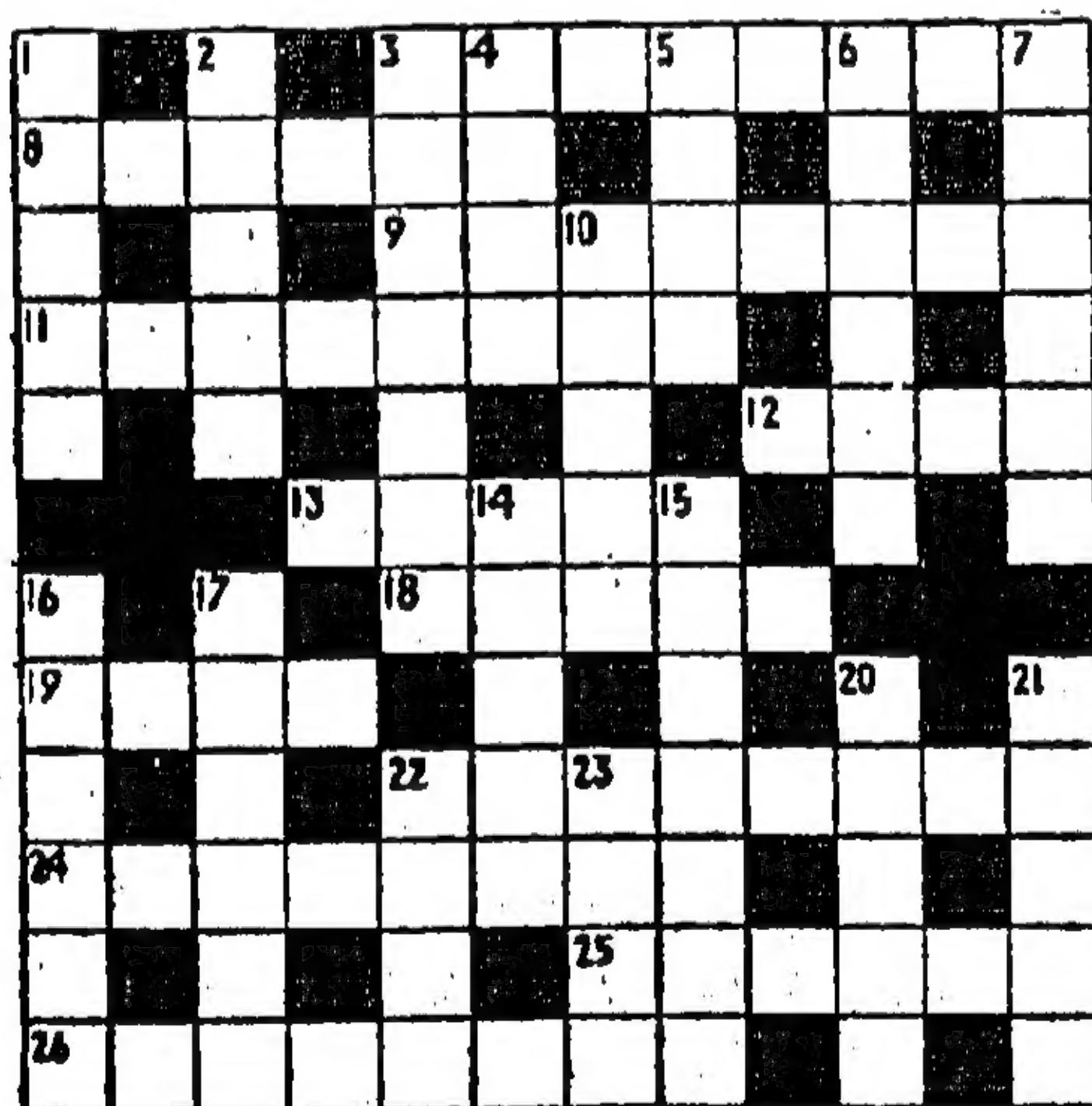
Locomotive Goes Into Retirement

Jersey City, June 13.

America's first diesel-electric locomotive went into retirement today after 32 years of service. The 300-horsepower engine chattered around Jersey Central Railroad freight yards here and then made its last run to Elizabethport and back before being shipped to the Baltimore & Ohio Museum in Baltimore.

Railroad officials, newsmen and photographers went along for old "No. 1000's" last trip. The little locomotive wrote railroad history in October, 1925, when it was introduced as the successor to steam engines. — United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Are such novels mostly written in Latin? (8)
- 8 Hang around; i.e. for underwear (6)
- 9 Gilbert and Sullivan card game? (8)
- 11 Comforted by having one's cold put right? (6)
- 12 Funeral carriage (4)
- 13 Surrendered (5)
- 14 Historical appointments? (6)
- 10 Not a usual way to cook steak? (4)
- 22 Made to shut up (3)
- 24 Goes abroad to get Russian aircraft speeds (8)
- 25 Proud is in a daze (6)
- 26 Such drivers might be said to be accident free (6)

DOWN

- 1 The courage it takes to play the harp? (5)
- 2 Miss Winn? (5)
- 3 Day, then sat again? (7)
- 4 Said to come from Balmoral (4)
- 5 Eager for a boy to lose his head (4)
- 6 But is it a sin to go up to the net in this game? (6)
- 7 Applause from drinking companions? (6)
- 10 Though dogmatic, can be taken two ways (5)
- 14 Holds up the boat (5)
- 15 Strongly dislikes half dead cricket matches (7)
- 16 First book (6)
- 17 Is it lamentable that there are such actors? (6)
- 20 Room with a view? (5)
- 21 Trouble and service combine to make things look better (6)
- 22 Is it good to have the wind up when you do so? (4)
- 23 What you have after eating some cake (4)

THURSDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Re-gist-er 7 Orate, 8 Fanlight, 10 Tiddler, 13 Surrender, 17 Boyer-d, 18 Seedeck, 20 O-din, 21 Disceat, 22 Dooper, 23 Alder-man, 24 Docka, 25 Riches, Down: 1 Hoist, 2 Maxim(um), 3 Roppel, 4 Lils, 5 Tremor, 6 Rot-Ted, 9 Krused, 11 Oiled, 12 Liken, 14 Hoidea, 16 Leaso, 18 Peaso, 19 Sol-ace, 19 Cinder, 22 S-and-a, 23 Spies, 24 Trem, 25 Eric.

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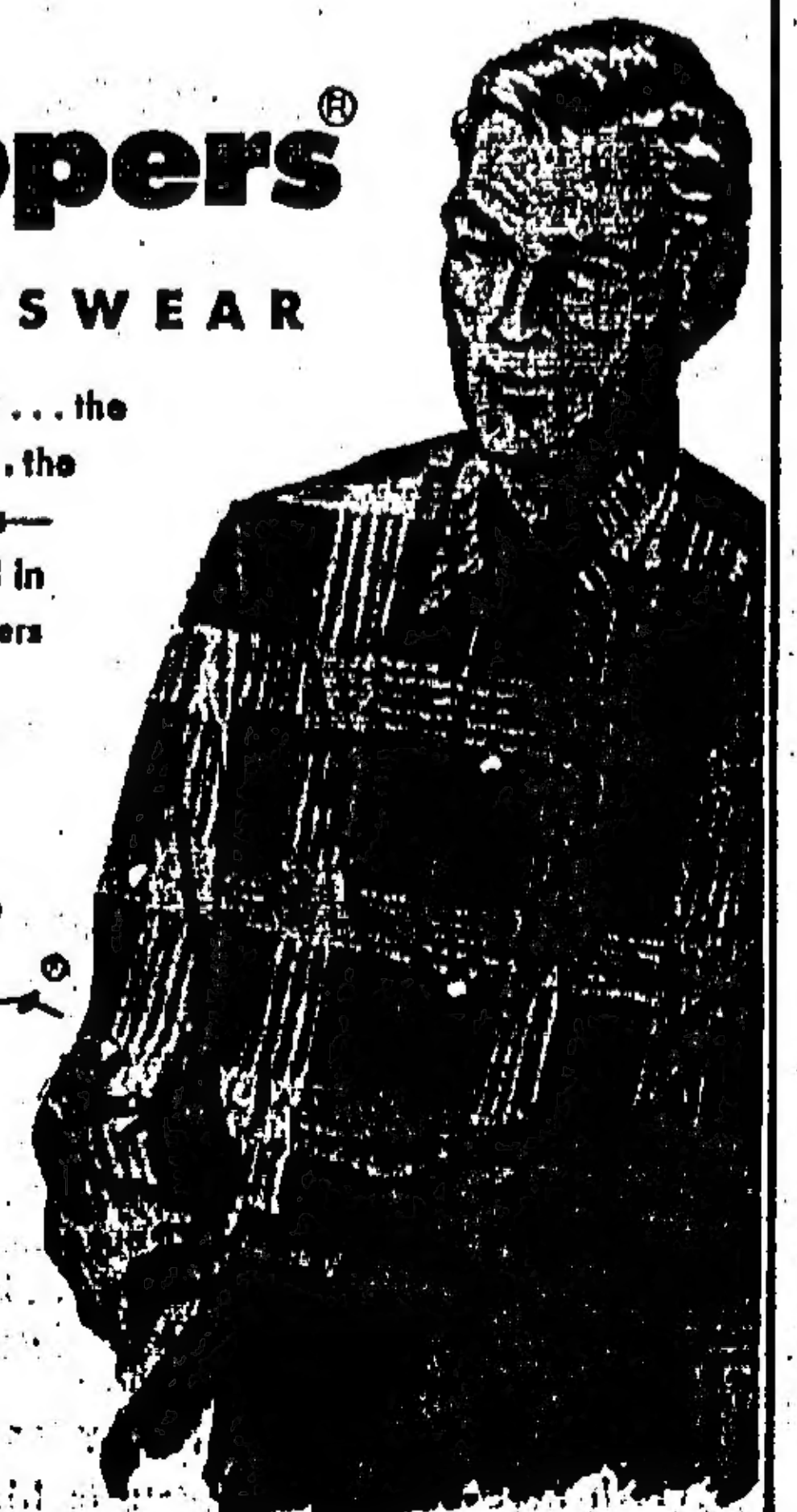
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—and the joint
nearly collapses



**A SUN HAT
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A RUSSIAN beach is rather a serious place. No noise, no deckchairs, no ice-cream or bottles of pop. And bathing dress is straightforward with no nonsense about fashion or fancy sun hats. The girl in this group—as you can see—has made herself a hat of newspaper before settling down to a quiet game of cards with her friends.

THE beach at Sochi is narrow and pebbly and far from crowded. This afternoon in May—hot in the sun but cold in the sea—with the Russians laid out, plump and white as young seals, conditions were bordering on the idyllic. "Who are they?" I asked Nina, my official guide. For they showed all the signs of being a Nearly Smart Young Set. Lurid satin bras teamed with black trunks were almost a uniform and—more surprisingly—almost a Bikini.

The ordeal

"They are staying at the rest homes and sanatoria. Some of them are actors and actresses," she said.

Patient as fakers on beds of nails, they were stretched out on the pebbles—turning their butterskins brown. The sea was more or less ignored.

I thought of my black one-piece bathing suit among all those pale plump midriffs and let myself off the ordeal of joining them. Being stared at in slacks is one thing. But being stared at in a bathing suit...

Anyway, there were the pebbles, Sochi, which is so filled with costly Corinthian columns it is like a herd of white elephants, could have done with trading a couple of dozen of them for a swimming pool.

Depressing

"Come on, let's go shopping," I said to Nina—bored with the pebbles. But there was nothing to shop for I quickly found—except a white sheepskin hat with a sheepskin trimming (35 roubles).

The ugliness and costliness of Russian clothing is the most depressing aspect of the country.

The average wage is 200 roubles a week but a dress of cheerless chiffon with weary roses on it and no style at all was 450 roubles! Deadbeat dresses at Dior prices, I thought to myself.

Men's shoes of best quality— which is rather like our worst— 400 roubles. A platinum watch, a dizzy 5,425 roubles. Eggs were five roubles for ten. A man's shirt, 174 roubles.

"We must find a record-player for the rock 'n' roll records I've brought with me," I said to Nina.

Black market

In a sort of general store, alongside such appealing seaside souvenirs as a crudely carved marble owl for 105 roubles, we found a record-player.

I handed Mr Bill Haley to his first Sochi audience.

"Rock This Joint" whammed out, and the joint nearly collapsed.

Jazz is fairly well known in Russia as there is a busy black market in discs made from tape recordings of overseas radio programmes. But this!

In fact, the astonishment of the people in the shop could be a little excused as, the needle started jumping out of the

Soothingly

groove and then more extraordinary din than even Mr Haley can produce was the result. Finally it was me that begged to have it taken off.

Nina, calm and gentle as usual, said, soothingly: "Well, at least, I've got some idea of what it sounds like now." And off we went, leaving the joint well and truly rocked.

We stayed overnight at Odessa and went next day to Kiev.

Here I inadvertently disgraced myself three times. First, by taking a picture of a beggar—a nice, bearded old boy with one leg whom I snapped taking a five-rouble note from an American tourist.

So charming

"There are no beggars in Russia," I was told categorically, when an angry crowd had borne me back to the hotel. It was no use arguing. I had, in fact, seen several beggars in Russia and been stopped by them.

Next I insisted on going into a delightful but very old market where the old women sell the produce they have patiently won from the little personal

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TO RUSSIA**



*The story of an ordinary
sightseer's extraordinary
trip behind the Iron
Curtain*

by
**ANNE
SHARPLES**

plots of land they are allowed to own on the immense acres of the collective farms. They

were charming old girls, simple and full of dignity.

But for some reason the Russians are desperately ashamed of them. And when I bought some vivid little wooden toys that were the only bright and ingenious things I had seen in all my stay I was told I ought to buy "something more typical of our culture."

The third incident was my "arrest." I wandered off on my own and was taking a very intriguing shot of a new block of flats with some beat-up little shacks next to it. I was seized by a very tall Russian workman who tried to take my camera.

Much nicer

"Americans!" he roared at me furiously. I shook my head. "Deutsch?" he roared again even more furiously. For Kiev had more human contacts and felt has not forgotten the Nazi occupation.

"English," I said. "Ah, English. Good," he said, getting immediately much nicer.

Nevertheless, I was escorted by him and a bodyguard that increased to seven as we went along through a shanty town, amused by the size of my squad. I started to drill them: "Left, right, left, right." At first this was not thought in the least funny, but gradually they began to smile.

We arrived at the police station all roaring with laughter and after a half-hour's hanging around I was rescued by a very stuffy young woman from Intourist who lectured me all the way back to the hotel.

Refused

That evening I dined with a Russian-born American who had travelled all the way to Kiev to visit his mother's grave outside the town, only to be refused permission to go there. He had grown rich in America but he was deeply attached to Russia. There were so many childhood places he wanted to visit but he was not allowed to move out of Kiev.

As we walked down the main street we gathered a small crowd round us. As he could speak Russian I was able to get closer to people through him than ever before. But there was one young Russian I didn't need a translator for. He had been brought back by his

family after seven years in Canada. His yearning and sense of being cut off from everything he knew and liked was pathetic.

Last night

As a meagre compensation I gave him the rock 'n' roll records.

This was my last night in Russia. Next day we flew to Moscow to pick up the airplane to Prague.

As Nina and I said goodbye (and I was truly sad to say goodbye to her) there was so much I wanted to say. I had seen so much I hated but I regretted in many ways being such a turbulent tourist. I had seen so much that was lovable and wonderful in Russia too—and this was nearly always when I was doing what they didn't want me to do. I had made human contacts and felt human warmth, in spite of the tourist barrier.

My advice

And I was glad that I would probably remember these long after my dislike of the other side of Russia had died away. And for those things I would tell anyone who asks me: "Go to Russia."

ENDS SERIES

POCKET CARTOON
By OSBERT LANCASTER



I'm an egrazaphobist says Tallulah

by NANCY SPAIN



WHAT makes Tallulah Bankhead tick? I went along to the Ritz to find out.

How does it feel to come back to London, facing the town behind a pair of dark glasses? How is it done? Well, it's easy....

You hide behind a big word. You say: "I'm an egrazaphobist, that's me," and let The Legend do its work.

Miss Bankhead spelled out the word for me and I went home and looked it up in the Oxford Dictionary. I failed to find it. But Miss Bankhead says it means "A morbid terror of hard work."

That may be. Now, what's Miss Bankhead like? Well, for a start she can't sit still. She paces up and down like a race-horse or an elderly child of three.

She flings back her beige locks, she asks you to look at her eyelashes to see that they're still real. She wears a brown twin set and pearls (and for all I care sensible shoes) as though they were a Balmian creation.

And, of course, even although she is an egrazaphobist, she is about to be the smartest woman in town.

"You may call me Tallulah," said she. "And I do not lightly give permission for that, except, of course, to gallery girls and boys."

But to me she will always be Miss Bankhead. Everything this woman says and does is a contradiction, every time she opens her mouth she takes back the word she first thought of.

I'm sure she is very lovable, just like a dog that bites you is lovable.

OLD PALS

"AND I would like you to know that everything everybody says about me in the newspapers is a lot of misquotations," she said.

"If you really want to help me you should say I want John and Mary and Fern to get in touch with me. Never mind John and Mary who. They'll know."

So the old pals act still works, even for a legend, I thought.

She then explained that the reason why she was walking about so much ("Although I always walk about a lot") was because she wanted us to admire her wonderful figure.

"I'm nothing but bones now," she said, "nothing but bones. The pep-up pills calm me down and the calm-down pills pep me up."

She took a deep and apparently satisfying swig from a tall, full of what looked like intoxicating liquor.

"What's that?" I asked. "Cold tea," she said.

I simply couldn't believe in this vitality kept going on cold tea. "Nervous" vitality I should call it, except that she was obviously scared of nothing.

"Don't you eat anything, ever?"

"Oh yes, I had breakfast on the plane. I had bacon and eggs and grape fruit, and toast and butter and marmalade. But I won't eat lunch now. YOU have lunch."

"No," I said.

Being Miss Bankhead, I thought, must be like being a long-playing gramophone record, eternally playing on a machine bulging for perpetual motion. I would not care to be Miss Bankhead at all.

"How do you keep going?" I asked. "What is the secret?"

She didn't know.

HER WIT

"I've had shingles, hepatitis, smallpox, mumps, measles (oh, I nearly died with measles), triple pneumonia, gastric ulcers, neuritis, and I've broken my hand and my ribs. Why, I've a steel pin in my hand right down. No, I feel nothing except when I get some moisture on it. Then it feels like chilblains. That's why I never shake hands now. Instead, I can't bear to be touched

at all. Particularly when I'm not made up."

A series of non sequiturs, that's Miss Bankhead. Sentiment, too. But hidden back of that phiz, those hot blue eyes, that complicated, impossible personality, is still a quick wit.

Here are two of the things she says:—

About her laugh: "Sometimes they say, Miss Bankhead, in the name of Southern womanhood do something about that laugh," and sometimes they say "Miss Bankhead, what's gone wrong, we don't hear you laugh," so either way I'd better not laugh. Anyway, when I do I lose my voice."

She lost her voice the other day.

Of the English: "It's no use trying to pay them any compliments. They don't like compliments. They are the most sentimental, emotional people in the world."

There you are. That's Miss Bankhead, a simple, unspooled child of nature, an egrazaphobist at heart, just like you and me.

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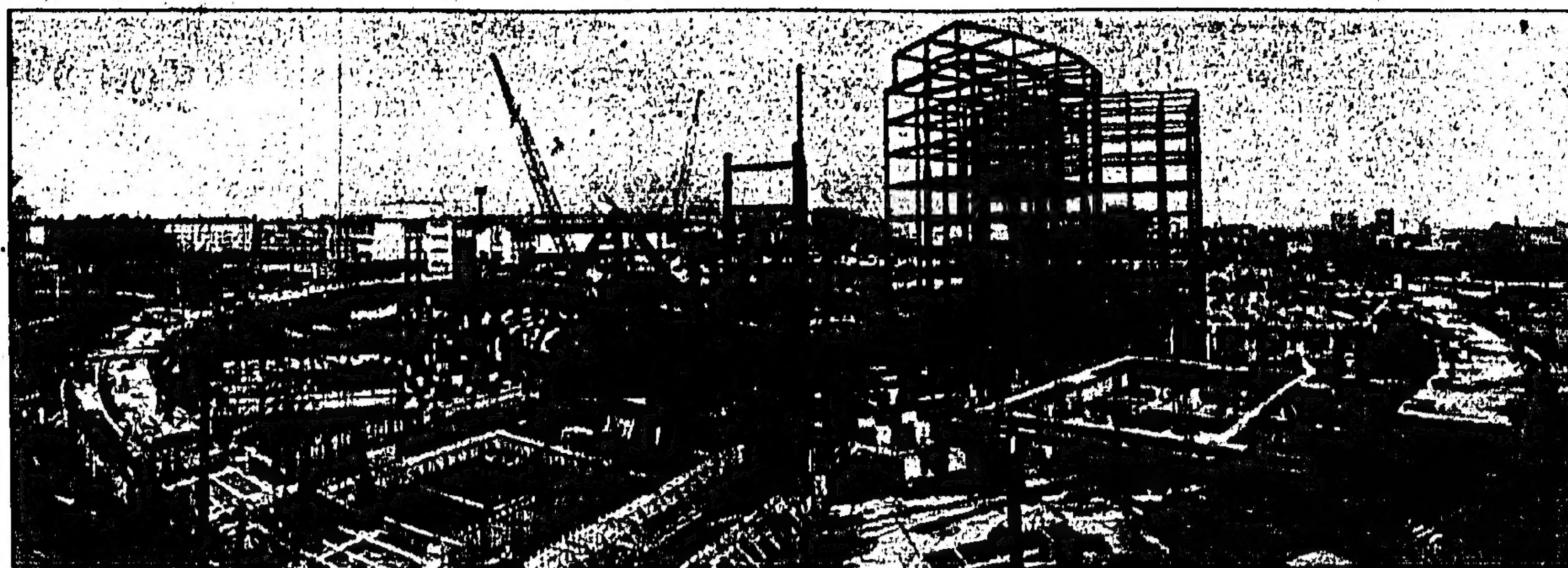
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BBC TELEVISION CENTRE TAKES SHAPE



THIS is a recent photograph showing progress on the main block of the British Broadcasting Corporation's Television Centre which is in course of construction on a 13-acre site in West London and is designed ultimately to concentrate the whole of the BBC Television Service under one roof.

The Scenery Block, from the roof of which this general view was photographed, is already in use and houses some 200 offices, scenery and property stores, workrooms, carpenters' shops

and the large painting galleries of the Design Department. When completed the Main Block will be in the form of a multi-story 'ring' structure of nine floors, enclosing a court of some 150 feet in diameter.

Control Room

In the 'ring' there will be dressing rooms, wardrobe space and engineering areas on the lower floors, with offices above. Radiating from it will be television production studios, telecine and telecording areas and a central control room. The outer periphery of the studios will be enclosed by a continuous runway along which scenery and properties can be conveyed to the studios from the Scenery Block. The area to be enclosed by the 'ring' building and buildings radiating from it is 3½ acres—an area nearly twice that covered by St Paul's Cathedral. Work on this stage of the project is expected to be completed by mid-1960.—BBC Photo.

TURNCOAT'S WIFE ARRIVES

Tanya Dzarasova, 24-year-old White Russian, wife of a former American soldier turncoat, Samuel I. Hawkins, crossed the border into British Territories at Lowu at 1 p.m. today.

Her first comment was: "I am anxious to go back to my husband." She added that she did not know when she was leaving for the United States. Mrs. Hawkins boarded the 2.22 p.m. train for town. She said she was delayed by Chinese immigration officials for a short time, before crossing the border. The couple married in Peking in a Chinese civil ceremony while Hawkins was in China, after deciding to remain there following his release from a POW camp in Korea. Hawkins returned to the United States through Hongkong on February 27, six years after the ending of hostilities.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shows are those for registered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office. The latest posting times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mails can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

FRIDAY, JUNE 14

By Air
 Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
 Japan, 6 p.m.
 U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
 By Surface
 Philippines, 3 p.m.
 North Borneo, 4 p.m.
 Macao, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, Kunming, Hsinchun, 10 a.m.
 Indo-China, France, 10 a.m.
 Thailand, Malaya, N. Borneo, Indonesia & Ceylon, 11 a.m.
 Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 1 p.m.
 Hawaii, U.S.A., 6 p.m.
 Thailand, India, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
 Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.
 Formosa, Japan, Okinawa, 6 p.m.
 Indo-China, 6 p.m.
 China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
 Formosa, 11 a.m.

Macao, 1 p.m.
 Japan, Hawaii, U.S.A., C. & S. America, 3 p.m.
 Malaya, Indonesia, 4 p.m.
 Siam, 4 p.m.
 China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.
 Macao, 6 p.m.
SUNDAY, JUNE 16
 By Air
 Philippines, 4 p.m.
 Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
 Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
 Korea, 6 p.m.
 By Surface
 Macao, 1 p.m.

Cyclist Hurt

A private car collided with a cyclist in Castle Peak Road, near Hing Wah Street, at about 8.45 p.m. yesterday. The cyclist, Leung Ng, aged 45, residing at 425, Chatham Road, ground floor, sustained injuries and was admitted to Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

It was also notified that recognition, provisionally and pending instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been given to Mr. Angel Vega Mendez, as Consul-General for the Republic of Panama at Hongkong with effect from June 7, 1957.

FAREWELL TO THE U.S.A.F. BAND

The U.S.A.F. Band gave the last of its four concerts for charity in the Football Club Stadium last night, to a good-sized audience.

Since the first concert, some improvements had been made in the amplification system, and on the whole the balance was

fair and there were only a few occasions on which the bass was overpowered.

For the singing and speaking voices, there was almost no distortion, except when the tenor soloist was exercising his utmost powers, and only then did his voice overbalance the band slightly.

FAMOUS SIAMESE TWIN IS DEAD

One of the famous Siamese Twins, the Lau Brothers, who gained world fame some 60 years ago, died in the Hip Wo Hospital in Peking (the well-known Peking Union Medical College) sometime in April this year.

The vernacular journal, the Ta Kung Pao, carried a pictorial news item this morning saying that one of the twins, Lau Shing-tai, was showing signs of failing health in April and the twins were admitted to the hospital.

An operation was performed on April 26 and the twins were separated, the soft bones joining them in the chest region was severed. Lau Shing-tai died a few hours after the operation. The other twin brother, Lau Shing-kai, survived the operation.

The twins were born 89 years ago. They became world famous at the age of seven when they were spotted by a European who offered himself as their manager and exhibited them in a travelling circus. Later the twins were exhibited in major cities in China until the Communists resettled them.

WEIGHTY

The programme was probably the most weighty of the four, and contained some solid fare, such as Wagner's "Rienzi" Overture, which opened the concert, Ravel's "Bolero" and "A Festival at Baghdad" from Scheherazade by Rimsky-Korsakov.

Some of the items were already known to us from last year, and there was an interesting new Japanese work, "Dance of Japanese Youth" by Tono, an effective mixture of Japanese idiom and Western harmonisation. There were also two works by members of the band.

This band has a fine and full tone, its woodwind is mellow and its brass not too blaring. The cellos and basses are the envy of our local combinations. It is interesting to note what has been made of the orchestration in works which were originally scored for the upper strings; for instance Ravel's "Bolero" (which was given in a much shortened version) and the "Festival at Baghdad".

Near the end of the latter work, the woodwind took over the upward-rushing passages which Rimsky-Korsakov gave to the violins, and also the solo violin part which is supposed to represent the narrative voice of Scheherazade herself.

DISCIPLINE

The band has almost perfect discipline, and gives the impression that it could march quite happily by itself without direction, but this of course is an illusion caused by the excellent control and ability to create responsiveness of the conductor, Colonel George S. Howard, whose strong up-beat is masterful without being flashy.

Mr. Bellamy, the conductor of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Band, took over for the brass March "Sampers Tidells," a courteous gesture on the part of Col. Howard which was much appreciated.

There was some excellent solo singing by Sergeant Kerns, baritone, and Sergeant Dupree, tenor; both singers have pleasing and powerful natural voices, effortless production and really good enunciation. They won the hearts of the audience, especially with their encores.

There was some amazing solo playing on the accordion by Sgt. Joseph Soprani and on the trumpet by Sgt. D. A. Dale.

IMPRESSIVE

The Singing Sergeants, an impressive team conducted by Captain Landers, gave two well-assorted groups, containing both unaccompanied songs, and items in which instrumentalists and sometimes the whole band joined in.

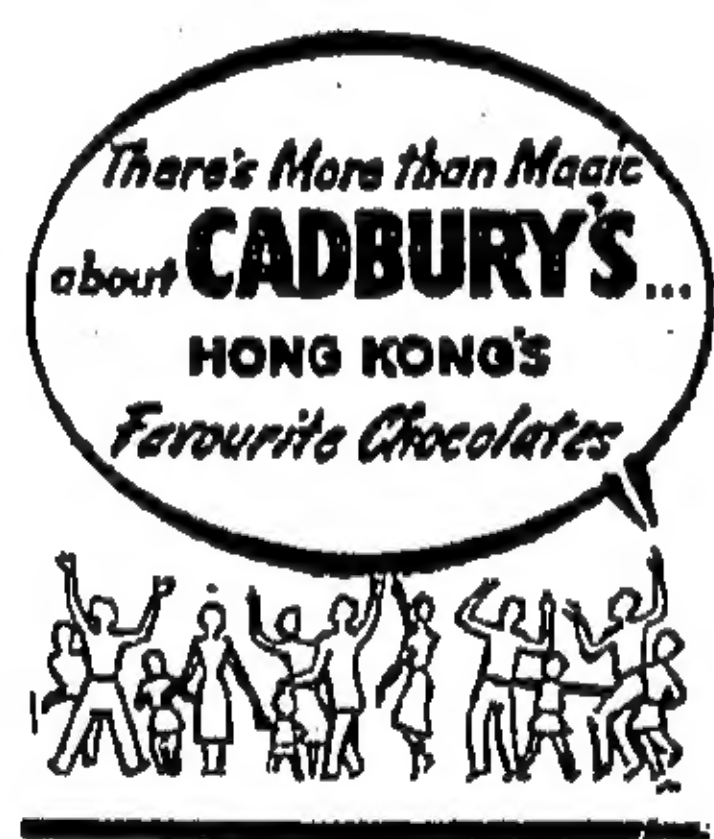
These have been enjoyable occasions and in a good cause, and it was fortunate that the weather decided to clear up at last. It will probably be some time before the ideal conditions are discovered for outdoor music in Hongkong, but it is always worth while experimenting in these matters. The Hollywood Bowl is far away, but we should keep on trying.

VISIT BY CZECHS POSTPONED

Belgrade, June 13. A visit to Yugoslavia by a Czechoslovak Government delegation this month has been postponed until a more suitable date," the official Yugoslav News Agency Tanjug announced today.

The Agency's statement said: "On May 27 this year it was announced that a delegation of the Czechoslovak Government would be coming on a visit to Yugoslavia in the second half of June this year. "Under a mutual agreement, the visit of the Czechoslovak Government delegation has been postponed until a later and more suitable date."—Reuter.

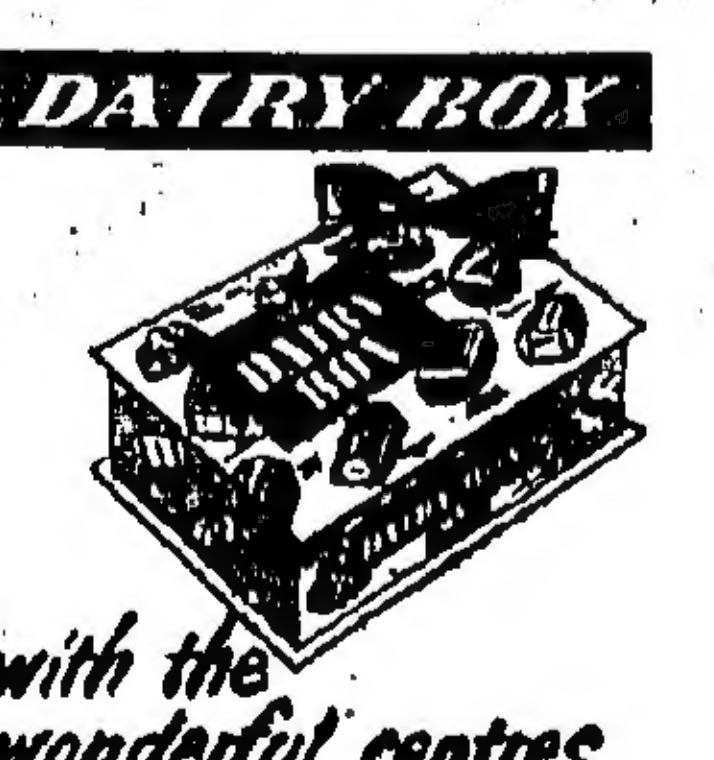
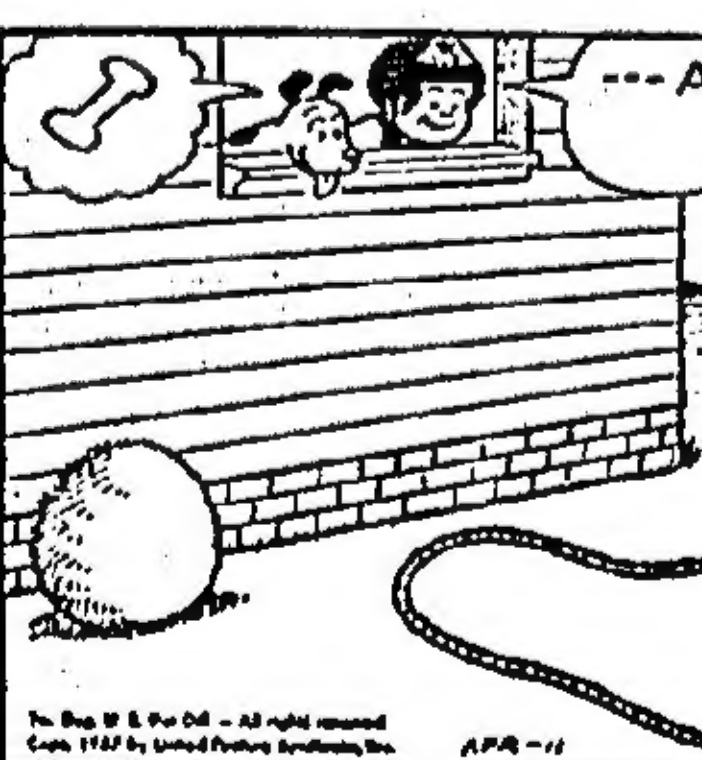
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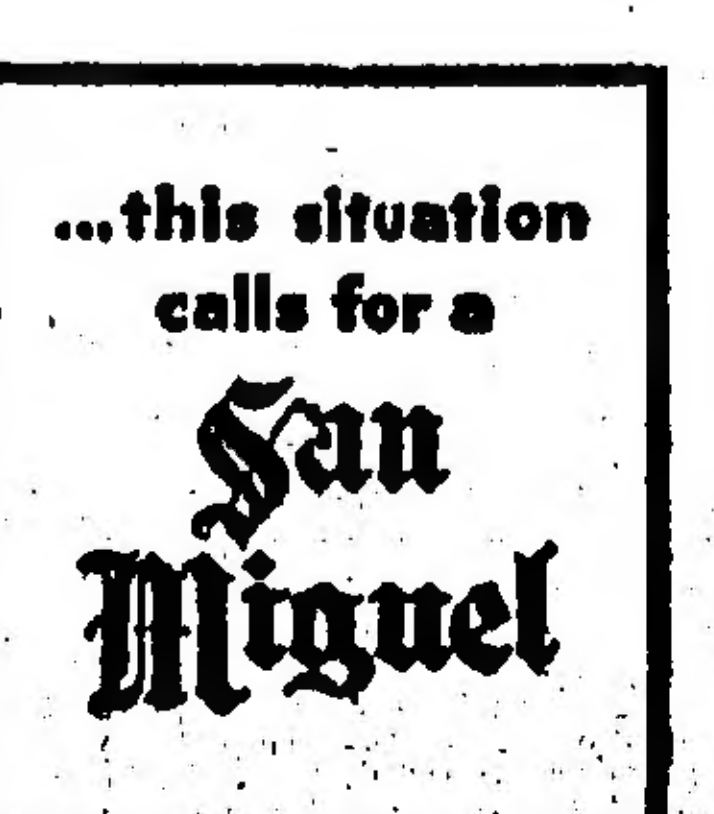
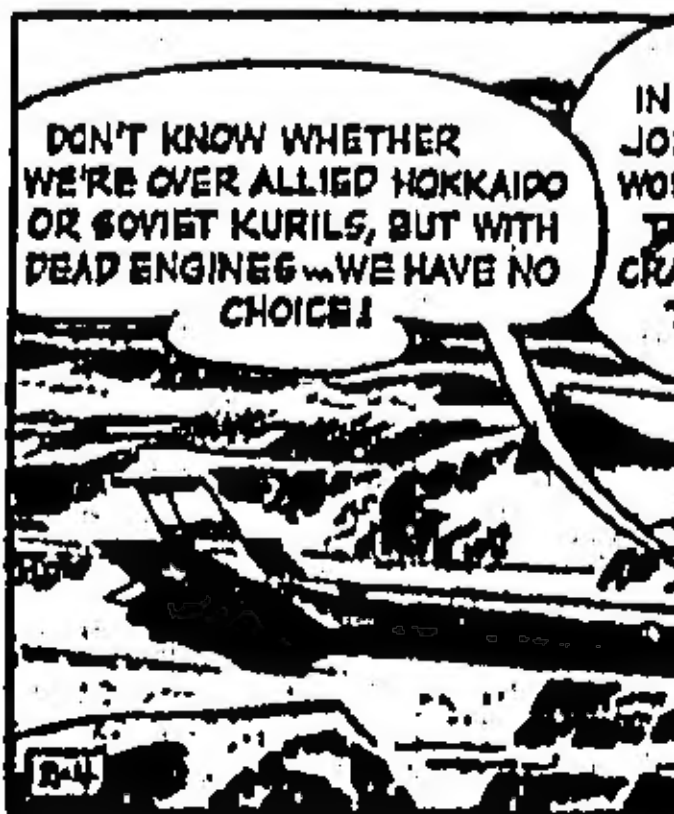
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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Before The Wedding

THE girl Bob is to marry in a month's time must often have thought of her good luck in finding a young man as steady as he is. In an age when young men switch jobs on a whim—because of a foreman's scowl, or because of the colour of the canteen crockery, Bob is a model of steadiness.

After school he was apprenticed to a specialist branch of carpentry and he grew from boyhood into manhood with the same firm, becoming a promising craftsman in the process. He now earns £10 15s. a week, and that gives his mother £2 10s. for his keep in their Kentish Town home.

TRANSFORMED

THE other day, during his lunch break, Bob wandered into a West End store near to his place of work. Possibly his forthcoming marriage took him there. Perhaps he was looking round for things for his future home. If so, while he was doing that, he was suddenly transformed.

Instead of looking round the shop he gave all his attention to the bucket-bugs that women

shoppers carried, and every now and then he darted out a hand at one like any cut-purse or pickpocket.

PRETTY DREADFUL

HE was caught, and at Clerkenwell, he pleaded guilty to being a suspected person loitering with intent to steal from handbags.

"When he was arrested," a policeman reported, "this man said: 'It's about time I pulled myself together.'"

Bob, a pleasant-looking, fair-haired man in his early 20's, braced himself, as if trying to do physically what he had said he must.

"There are no previous convictions," the policeman went on, "and he has £300 savings towards buying his own house."

Helplessly Bob said: "I've never felt inclined that way before, I don't know why I did it."

"Well, you're liable to go to prison for three months," said Mr. Frank Powell, the magistrate. "It's a pretty dreadful introduction to getting married, isn't it?"

Bob nodded. He was fined £10, and he went away shaking his head, like a man with a private mystery he despairs of unravelling.

Colony Cotton Mills Are Well Booked Up

Cloth Orders Until September

AMERICAN SALES POLICY GAVE THE FILLIP

by A China Mail Reporter

Hongkong cotton mills are doing good business. Most mills have cloth orders booked up to September and October—some are booked up even farther ahead—and yarn orders are booked to the end of July.

This was learned reliably this morning.

The buoyant state of the industry is reflected in Stock Exchange quotations for cotton issues.

A cotton authority told the China Mail: "In most parts of the world the textile industry is extremely busy—there is practically a small boom."

Hongkong was sharing in this activity, he said. This was a marked change compared with business activity in the early part of last year when, the cotton authority said, "we were driven to find orders."

Commenting on last year's slack period the cotton authority said: "It depended largely on the selling policy of cotton in the United States. Until textile concerns in all parts of the world had something stable to work on with American cotton policy there was a general hold-up. Nobody would buy or sell."

"Suddenly they came out with a new sales policy and that changed the whole situation."

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Other factors behind the upswing in business were political and economic questions, the cotton authority said.

"It is largely a question of consuming countries having sufficient foreign exchange to meet orders. When they haven't got it they put on restrictive regulations and that makes it difficult."

"Generally speaking, though, it is due to the long period of peace. Business is more established and people are doing better and have more money to spend and also there has been quite a large increase in population—all these factors are helping to increase consumption."

"The increase in population is of course more marked in this part of the world."

BUYERS

The cotton authority said the biggest buyer of Hongkong production was the United Kingdom.

"They overtook any other country. Then a lot goes to Indonesia, Australia, South Africa and East Africa and a certain amount to Malaya and, to a lesser degree, Burma, Cambodia and Laos."

The cotton authority described the latest South African move to raise tariffs on imported Hongkong cotton goods as "iniquitous."

"You see, gradually a lot of consuming countries are putting up their own manufacturing mills."

"As far as Hongkong is concerned, instead of having indiscriminate expansion it would be far better to concentrate on improving plant with a view to cutting down costs and improving qualities."

LABOUR PROBLEMS

"There is a very good example in Japan where they are increasing production facilities very quickly and now they cannot sell enough."

"In Hongkong the industry is on the whole extremely well managed by leaders who have a vast amount of energy and initiative and who are very shrewd businessmen."

"But in view of the fact that many industries here are still developing the cream of the labour has been taken and now mills are finding it very difficult to get skilled labour. Supervisory and administrative staff are becoming increasingly difficult to obtain."

"There are various schemes being developed for training, the most important of which will be the new technical college which will have a textile section. The industry will help to organise it technically to meet the special requirements of the Colony."

RN Surgeon Wins \$1,275 Claim

A Royal Navy surgeon, who alleged that a Hi-fi tape recorder he bought from a Hongkong company was not up to specifications, agreed upon, this morning won his suit for damages against the dealer.

Judge James Wicks at the Victoria District Court awarded judgment, with costs, to Surgeon-Commander Ronald Tiplie, RN, in the sum of \$1,275—the amount paid by plaintiff for the recording machine.

The defendants were Yee On Hong Co., Ltd. of Fu House. They were represented by Mr. J. C. Wilman, of Johnson, Stokes and Master.

Mr. M. E. Ives, of Peter Mo and Co., represented the plaintiff.

CLIMATIC FAULTS

Sitting with Judge Wicks as assessors were two technical experts, Flight Lieut. Michael O'Hagan, RAF, and Mr. Yui-kwong Luk.

The defendants were also ordered to pay the assessors' remuneration. Surgeon-Commander Tiplie claimed damages for alleged breach of conditions of sale. He said at an earlier hearing that he bought a Hi-fi recorder, which he later found to be unsuitable for reproducing records of a high quality.

The sound equipment company contended that the climatic faults of the machine had been explained to the plaintiff, that he must have bought the recorder with that knowledge.

CAT Apply For Seoul Service

Applications to the Licensing Authority by the Civil Air Transport Co., Ltd., for permission to operate two passenger, freight and mail air services between Seoul and Bangkok, via Hongkong, and between Hongkong and Seoul, via Taipei, were published in the Government Gazette this morning.

CAT proposed two flights weekly in their Seoul to Bangkok route with calls at Tokyo, Okinawa, Taipei and Hongkong, and a weekly flight service in their Seoul-Taipei-Tokyo-Hongkong service.

RADIO Hongkong

H.K.T. 5.20, Time for Teen-Agers presented by Deborah Harbott; 6, Time Signal. Programme Summary: 6.42, Popularity Poll Presented by Ted Thomas; 6.50, Asian Club; 7, Perante and Techer (Duo Pianist); 7.15, Yours Sincerely, Vera; 7.30, 7.45, Going to the Pictures. The Critics discuss the pictures they have seen this week. Chairman: Timothy Birch; 7.55, Weather Report; 8, Time Signal. The News; 8.40, Appeal on Behalf of the St. John Ambulance Brigade by the Hon. C. E. Barry; 8.55, Music Lovers Hour—Classical Requests presented by Aileen Delaney; 9.15, "The Golden Butterfly" by Walter Beant and James and Power; (Repeat of last Sunday's broadcast); 9.45, "Platter Parade"—Presented by Nick Kendall; 10.30, Trooping the Colour. An edited commentary by Richard Dimbleby on yesterday's ceremony; 10.55, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal Radio Newsweek; 11.15, Goodnight Music; 11.30, Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

3 p.m., Musical Matinee: 3.30, Strike Up the Band; 4, The Story of Sothe Castle; 4.15, Tea for Two; 4.30, Musical A. B. C.—Beginning with letter "L"; 5, Children's Games; 5.15, Children's Songs; 5.30, The Scottish Junior Singers from Glasgow; 5.50, Friday Requests—Presented by Johnnie Brown; 6.15, Maibies; 6.30, Showtime Serenade; 7, Personality Parade—Anna Russell; 7.15, Concert Minutes; 7.30, Eddie Fisher with Axel Stordahl's Orchestra; 7.45, The Mystery of Nurse Christine; 8, Cast and the Colour; 8.15, Appeal on behalf of the St. John Ambulance and Brigade; 8.45, Concert Minutes; 9, Musical Matinee; 9.15, The Tops in Popular Music; 9.30, Music for Two—A Musical Exchange between Wong Kam-long and Joseph Clark; 9.45, Rediffusion Newsweek; 10, Rediffusion Treasures; 10.15, Starring Jack Webb; 10.30, Chinese Feature Film; 10.50, Late Night Newsweek; 11, Late weather report and announcements.

TELEVISION

9 p.m., Children's Hour—Cartoons; 9.15, The Puppet Theatre; 9.30, The Cisco Kid; 9.45, Close Down; 10, Crockett; 10.15, Cantonese-English Language exchange between Wong Kam-long and Joseph Clark; 10.30, Rediffusion Newsweek; 10.45, Rediffusion Treasures; 10.55, Starring Jack Webb; 11, Chinese Feature Film; 11.30, Late Night Newsweek; 11.45, Late weather report and announcements.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Appeal For Stamps

Sir,—Efforts are being made to start a philatelic club for East London schoolchildren and our first task is to establish a pool of Commonwealth stamps for which there will inevitably be a large demand but a very small local supply.

It is appreciated that many calls must be made on your generosity but we should be most grateful if you or any of your readers could find possible to send any unwanted used postage stamps which may be easily available in your office.

Perhaps you will be good enough to excuse the liberty taken in making this request and will attribute it to better experience which has shown that desperate measures are necessary if the almost insatiable demands of children are to be met.

J. H. C. NIGHTINGALL,
39 Church Ave., London, E4.

PRISONER FOUND HANGING IN CELL

A prisoner was found hanging in his cell at Victoria Prison at 11.10 on Wednesday night and although every effort was made to revive him he was dead on arrival at the Prison Medical Officer's surgery.

The prisoner was Law Woon alias Wong Yiu. He was on remand on charges of assault with intent to rob and possession of arms and ammunition without a licence. An inquest will be held.

Government Appointments Gazetted

The Government Gazette announced this morning that the following appointments, transfers, promotions and postings have been approved:

Mr. R. Thompson, Executive Officer, Class 1, to be Commissioner of Registration with effect from June 17, vice Mr. T. S. D. Whitley.

Dr. A. H. R. Coombes, Senior Health Officer, ceased to act as Assistant Director of Health Services on resumption of duty by Dr. Teng Fiu-hai.

Mr. Cheung Wing-ming, Senior Education Officer, to be Senior Principal, Education Department; Mr. Watt Hoi-kee, Education Officer, to be Senior Education Officer; Mr. Young Wang Man-shung, ceased to be Sub-Inspector of Schools; Miss Phyllis Victoria Scadding to be a Nursing Sister.

Mr. T. V. C. Reynolds to be Secretary of the Appeals Board, Education Department, vice Mr. R. Thompson.

Mr. William John Silvey to be a Food Officer, New Territories.

Govt Tenders Called For

The construction of a three-acre car park in the central reclamation area, west of the City Hall site, will commence soon.

Tenders for the foundation piling of the park were called for in this morning's Government Gazette. Tenders should reach the Tender Board by noon, June 28.

Tenders for the supply of Australian hardwood sleepers and for the building of one carriage TBP-307 with steel body for the Kowloon-Canton railway were also called for. Tenders for the hardwood should reach the Tender Board by noon July 12, and that for the carriage by noon June 21.

Enquiry For Relatives

The Hongkong Police have received a request for assistance in tracing any known relatives of the late Mr. David Pincham, formerly of Kingston, Jamaica.

The Police say that some of his relatives may be residing in Hongkong and it would be helpful if they or any persons having knowledge of their whereabouts, would contact the Officer-in-charge, Criminal Records, Police Headquarters, Tel. 34822 extension 254.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Thanks for the lift, Mom! Dad still insists I shouldn't spend any more on a girl than he did on dates with you!"

BIG COMPENSATION ORDER NOTIFIED

Notice was given in the Government Gazette this morning that the Governor in Council has ordered compensation totalling \$270,750 to be paid to tenants and sub-tenants of 86 and 88 Nathan Road for vacant possession of the premises.

The highest amount of \$77,500 is to be paid to Chung Fook Kee and the Jones & Co., tenants of the ground floor of 88 Nathan Road.

The B. B. Lamphard Co. and the J. Nobron & Co., of the ground floor of 86 Nathan Road, are to receive \$25,000 each. The Kung Wing Ladies Tailor, of the same address, is to receive \$30,000.

Compensation of \$40,000 was ordered to be paid to the K. A. J. Chokmell & Co. (H.K.) Ltd. for the vacant possession of 35 Wyndham Street, ground floor.

The 37 passengers and the crew of nine were held by the Police for questioning.

INQUIRIES CONTINUE

Police inquiries are continuing into the incident involving the Chinese motor vessel, Pak Tang, which sailed into Cheung Chau harbour from Chinese waters on Wednesday morning with a dead man on board.

The 37 passengers and the crew of nine were held by the Police for questioning.

Japanese Consul

The Government Gazette notified this morning that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to recognise, promote and pending instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Shigehide Tanaka as Consul for Japan at Hongkong.

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